To compile records of soldiers, sailors, and marines.

records of the several commands, and the individuals thereof, of Maryland soldiers, sailors and marines serving as a part of the quota of the State of Maryland in the Army and Navy of the United States during the late Civil War; and, in case of any deficiency in the record of any individual or command in the Adjutant General's office, they shall be empowered to complete the said deficient records from the records of the War and Navy Departments of the United States, for which purpose the Governor shall, at the request of the said commissioners, make requisition for the desired information upon the secretaries of the said departments, in accordance with existing laws.

To employ clerical aid.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That the said commissioners shall be empowered to employ such clerical aid and purchase such stationery as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, the same to be paid for from the appropriation hereinafter provided for. They shall also be empowered to deposit with the War and Navy Departments of the United States, in accordance with existing orders of the said departments, such a sum of money, to be taken from the appropriation hereinafter provided for, as may be required by the Secretaries of the said War and Navy Departments, to secure the United States from liability for any expense incurred in copying and completing from their records, the deficient records of Maryland soldiers, sailors and marines, as provided for in section 2 of this act.

Records to be printed.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That said commissioners, upon the completion of the said record, shall be empowered to have printed and bound, in two or more volumes, one thousand copies of the same, together with a brief history of each command, to be distributed as follows: 300 copies to the headquarters of the Department of Maryland, Grand Army of the Republic, for distribution to the several Grand Army Posts in the State; 2 copies to each public library and school library in the State; 1 copy to the Adjutant General of each of the United States, for each State Library; 10 copies to the Congressional Library at Washington, D. C. The balance of the copies to be deposited with the State Librarian at Annapolis, for distribution as may be deemed proper, by the Adjutant General of the State.

Appropriation. SEO. 5. And be it enacted, That the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pay for the provisions of this